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NO. I.

MILITARY EVENTS.

UNTIL after the war of 1812, military honors were sought for and highly prized. To be a *captain* even was an enviable distinction. There was no military organization north of the Shoholy Creek until after Wayne County was constituted. This organization took place at Willsonville, in 1798. Mr. Samuel Stanton was, at this time and place, elected Major of the battalion. He held this office two years, when he resigned, and Mr. Joseph Tanner succeeded him. Mr. Tanner was succeeded by Mr. Jason Torrey. This office was held during the latter part of the war of 1812 by Mr. Luther Starks.

The following persons held the office of Captain until after this war, and in the following order: John Tiffany—Elijah Peck—Thomas Mumford—Chandler Tiffany—Luther Starks, and Harry Mumford. The first battalion-training in this town was in 1813. The first regimental training was in 1804, under Colonel Asa Stanton. There was also another

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here, under Colonel Harry Mumford, who received his commission in 1828. There have been various military elections here for battalion and regimental officers. The battalion covered this county, and the regiment covered this and Susquehanna Counties.

NO. II.

GRAVE-YARDS.

There are three public grave-yards in this town. All of them are well protected by substantial stone walls, and are held as town property. These are located in the southern, central, and northern parts of the township. The land for the central yard was given, one-half by Mr. Benjamin King, and the other half was designed as a donation to the town by Mr. Silas Kellogg, but, by an oversight, he did not reserve it in the sale of the adjoining land, and the town received it as a gift from the purchaser, Mr. Benjamin Wheeler.

The first burial in this ground took place in June, 1802. The individual was a daughter of Mr. Abram Cramer, who had recently been married to Mr. Joseph Reeder. She was well known and highly esteemed by all. The funeral was held in a grove on the east side of the grave-yard. A large number of people were present, who listened to a discourse by the Rev. Epaphras Thompson, from Revelation xiv. 13: "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord," &c.

The grave-yard situated in the south part of the